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On account of the large number of laborers employed at Seven Islands in connection with the various industrial operations at Clarke City, the Dominion government and the provincial government have both taken steps to supply a staff of physicians and nurses, as well as medicine, and have ordered the ice-breaker *Champlain* for service as a dispatch boat to this section of Quebec.

#### CHINA.

*Report from Hongkong—Quarantine restrictions—Plague and smallpox.*

Passed Assistant Surgeon White reports, February 17 and 27, as follows:

*Week ended February 17, 1906.*

Restrictions enforced by Hongkong remain as reported on September 9, 1905. To restrictions enforced against Hongkong, as reported on February 10, 1906, the following have been added:

Port or place.	Nature of measure.
Burma .....	Hongkong declared infected.
Dutch East Indies .....	Arrivals from Hongkong, or vessels having called there, are subject to 5 days' quarantine from date of departure, or of last plague case on board. Importation is temporarily prohibited of animal refuse, claws, and hoofs, animal or human hair and bristles, untanned hides and hides salted or cured with arsenic, raw wool and rags, bags or sacks which have already been used, coming from or transshipped at Hongkong; also tapestry and used embroideries, unless they are transported as personal baggage or in consequence of change of residence.

Return of quarantinable diseases: Plague 5 cases, 4 deaths; smallpox 10 cases, 9 deaths.

*Week ended February 24, 1906.*

Restrictions enforced against Hongkong remain as reported on February 17, 1906.

Return of quarantinable diseases: Plague 12 cases, 12 deaths; smallpox 14 cases, 8 deaths.

*Emigrants recommended for rejection.*

Number of emigrants, per steamship *Coptic*, recommended February 20, 1906, for rejection: For San Francisco, 7; in transit, 2.

#### COSTA RICA.

*Report from Limon, fruit port.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Goodman reports as follows: Week ended March 29, 1906. Estimated population, 4,000; no deaths; prevailing disease, malarial fever; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good. There are mosquitoes present, both *Anopheles* and *Stegomyia*, but in no great numbers.